

2023/24

Membership Information Pack

Member Services

Networking:

- Invitation to quarterly members' meetings
- Invitation to Festivals Reception networking event in Edinburgh in August
- Reduced rates for Emporium – our flagship artist and promoter engagement event
- We organise open industry events with the aim of facilitating networking, skills and knowledge sharing between professionals working in the sector, i.e., forums and meet-ups

For more information on these, please visit our [What's On](#) page.

Communications & Information Sharing:

- Monthly members-only e-newsletter with details of FST and industry news, events and opportunities
- Access to free advertising for job vacancies and paid opportunities on FST website.
- Profile listing on FST website and link in members' e-newsletter on joining
- Access to restricted resources on FST website (for all employees of Organisation and Associate members)

Training & Professional Development:

- Complementary access to the [FST's Mentoring Programme](#)
- Reduced rates on host contributions to Assistant Director and Producer Placement [Bursaries](#)
- Access to FST Financial Support – [Ewan Turner Fund](#)
- Reduced rates on [training courses and workshops](#) organised by FST, as well as ones offered by [UK Theatre](#).

Sector Specific Advocacy:

- We undertake strategic lobbying and advocacy, directly representing the interests of FST members to funders and key decision makers, including Creative Scotland, the Scottish Government and Local Authorities.
- We are a leading partner to the cross-arts sector group [Culture Counts](#) who advocate the significant economic and social contribution made by the arts, culture and the creative industries.
- In 2019, together with our membership, we embarked on a journey to develop a sector-led strategy to support theatre and dance in Scotland to thrive. For the latest on this, please visit our [Strategy Development page](#).

Capacity Building Projects & Services:

- We offer general advice services to our members – any general queries can be sent to hello@scottishtheatre.org
- Reduced rates for listings in the [Access Scottish Theatre Guide](#)
- We offer support and guidance on [Health & Safety](#) matters
- Access to captioning equipment coordinated by FST
- Access to Travel/Childcare Bursary fund to support members to attend FST events

Membership Categories

Organisation Membership

Any Scotland-based professional organisation whose principal purpose is producing, presenting or curating dance, opera or theatre work is classified as an Organisation Member. Membership is held in the organisation's name and all employees can benefit from membership. Full Members also have full voting rights and the right to stand for election to the FST Board.

Group Membership is a package designed for FST Organisation member organisations which work with performing arts practitioners and would like to support them in engaging with FST. If you'd like to find out more about Group Membership, please email fstadmin@scottishtheatre.org

Fee: 0.1% of turnover for the year 2022/23, with a minimum payment of £125 to a maximum of £2,550 per annum + VAT.

Individual Membership

Any Scotland-based professional dance, opera or theatre worker can join FST as an Individual Member. Membership is held in the individual's name and cannot be transferred to another individual or colleague. Individual Members also have full voting rights and the right to stand for election to the FST Board.

Fee: £80 per annum + VAT.

Associate Membership

Associate Membership is open to Scotland-based professional organisations working within the theatre or dance sector in a supporting or strategic capacity that can also support the mission of FST; but whose principal purpose is not producing, presenting or curating dance, opera or theatre work. Membership is held in the organisation's name and all employees can benefit from membership. According to the constitution of FST, Associate Members are not entitled to vote at meetings or at the AGM.

Fee: £315 per annum + VAT.

Membership Values Statement

FST supports and encourages members to commit to best practice across:

- Equalities, diversity and inclusion
- Working conditions
- Environmental sustainability
- Knowledge sharing